

**Remarks:**

The foregoing Amendment seeks to correct a minor, obvious error in the claim dependency of Claim 178.

No new matter will be added, and no new issues will be raised by the Amendment. Accordingly, Applicants request that the claims be amended as indicated prior to issuance. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (336) 721-3730 regarding any questions concerning the proposed Amendment.

**Conclusion**

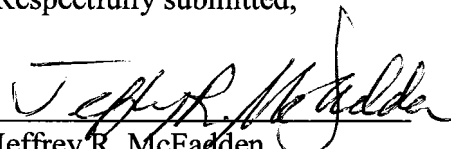
The amendment to Claim 178 involves only a minor informality. The amendment to Claim 178 does not require any additional search or examination, and the amended claim 178 is patentable inasmuch as it still includes the limitations of the allowed claims. Accordingly, it is believed that the amendment is proper under 37 CFR 1.312 and MPEP 714.16, and it is respectfully requested that it be entered and the application passed to issue.

**Authorization**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required for the timely consideration of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

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